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Remarks

Allowability of claims 20 and 3-5, 10-15, 19 is acknowledged.
Applicant is thankful for the Examiner's useful suggestions.

In response to the new grounds for rejection new and amended claims are hereby submitted for the Examiners' approval.

Claims 1 and 18 have been amended by addition of the percentage of the filler material (allowable claim 3).

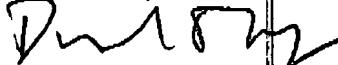
New Claim 21 comprises the limitations of claims 1 and 4 (deemed allowable).
New claim 22 is based upon the limitations of claim 5.

Accordingly, it is believed that the application is in an allowable form.
Favorable action is respectfully solicited.

It will be noted that a sincere effort has been made to positively respond to all of the points raised by the Examiner.

While it is believed that the amended claims properly and clearly define the present invention, applicant would be open to any suggestion or amendment the Examiner may have or propose concerning different claim phraseology which, in the Examiner's opinion, more accurately defines the present invention.

Respectfully submitted,



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